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In re Application of

Raghurama Bhyravabhotla Application No. 09/450,551

Filed: November 30, 1999

For: METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR SELF-DIAGNOSING ELECTRONIC

PRICE LABELS

DECISION ON PETITION TO WITHDRAW THE

HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT

This is in response to applicant's petition to withdraw the holding of abandonment filed with the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), on December 2, 2002. There is no fee for this petition.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A review of the file record indicates that the application was held abandoned for failing to file a timely response to an Office communication dated April 9, 2002, and a notice to that effect was mailed to the applicant on November 18, 2002.

Applicant's petition includes a copy of a response and includes USPTO facsimile return receipt bearing a transmittal date of July 3, 2002. This is sufficient evidence of a timely response.

Since a timely response to the Office action was filed, the holding of abandonment is withdrawn and the application is restored to pending status. The application is being forwarded to the Supervisory Legal Instruments Examiner for entry of the response filed with the petition, and then to the Primary Examiner for prompt action on the merits of the application.

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